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The Honorable Peter A. DeFazio
Chairman
House Committee on Transportation and
Infrastructure

The Honorable Garret Graves
Ranking Member
House Committee on Transportation
and Infrastructure

Dear Chairman DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I respectfully request funding for the following Member Designated Project to be included in this year's surface transportation authorization legislation: Little Econ Trail Bridge over State Road 436 (Semoran Blvd).

The project sponsor for this project is MetroPlan Orlando, the Metropolitan Planning Organization for Orange, Osceola, and Seminole counties, located at 250 S. Orange Avenue #200, Orlando, FL 32801.

This project is located between Baldwin Park Street and Richard Crotty Parkway in Orlando, Florida (Zip Code 32807). The funding will be used to create a new pedestrian bridge that will connect the Little Econ Greenway and the Cady Way Trail, and the bridge will create a safer way to cross State Road 436.

The project is an appropriate use of federal taxpayer dollars because Orlando is one of the most dangerous cities for pedestrians and cyclists nationwide. The Little Econ Greenway and the Cady Way Trail are two of the most heavily traveled trails in the region, but despite being in the same geographical area, they do not connect. With this new addition, the multi-use recreational trail will be 21 miles long and provide a safe passage over State Road 436.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Murphy
Member of Congress